

States. But, when the training of Ukrainian policemen takes place mainly within our country, many Georgian patrols were trained at the Georgia State Security Police Academy. Police stations are built mostly of glass – a symbol of transparency of power.

Today, three years after the launch of the police reform in Ukraine, the concept of “police station” has not yet been fully implemented in the systemic aspect. Yet, there a lot of common things between Georgia and Ukraine police. For example, the basic rules for entering the ranks of the patrol police also have many identical criteria. In Georgia, as in Ukraine, new people were attracted and invited without law enforcement professional experience to patrol service. But at the same time, a significant part of former law enforcement officers had the opportunity to stay in the police after undergoing re-certification.

In our opinion, a detailed studying of the experience of the development of police units in a number of other countries, namely Georgia, the wide exchange of police officers at the level of territorial units and specialized higher education institutions may be useful for Ukraine as a state that is willing to have a European police model.

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HIGHWAY PATROL

A highway patrol is either a police unit created for the purpose of overseeing and enforcing traffic safety compliance on roads and highways, or a detail within an existing local or regional police agency that is primarily concerned with such duties: gathering evidence to determine the cause of a roadway accident; enforcing highway laws related to commercial transport, including weight limits and hazardous materials rules; securing the scene of a traffic accident by using cones and flares as well as providing first aid to the injured; assisting local police in rural areas, and keeping an eye out for non-traffic violations.

In Brazil, traffic policing is the responsibility of state and federal police forces accordingly to the highway administration status. State administered highways are policed by a branch of the Military Police forces, called State Highway Military Police. At the same time Federal highways and roads are the responsibility of the Federal Highway Police.

In France, traffic policing on highways is the responsibility of dedicated units of the Gendarmerie Nationale (the National Gendarmerie).

In Spain, traffic policing on highways is the responsibility of the Civil Guard, except in the autonomous communities with transferred competences on traffic policing (Catalonia and the Basque Country), where regional police forces are responsible for this area. In Navarra, traffic policing is shared between the Civil Guard and the regional police.

Traffic policing and highway traffic policing is an extra unit at General Directorate of Security. Traffic Police officers control seat belts, plates, driving licenses, alcohols and etc. Every police car has a tablet and a GPS device.

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NEW ZEALAND PATROL POLICE ACTIVITIES

Road policing plays an important role in helping to make New Zealand roads safer through rigorous enforcement of the traffic laws including alcohol and speed regulations; promoting good driving practices; and road safety education.

The Road Policing Group comprises several special units with specific functions including:

– **Road Policing Support** provides co-operation with other road safety organizations, performs oversight of the district road policing.

– **Commercial Vehicle Safety Team (CVST)** is responsible for monitoring all commercial vehicles, including trucks, buses, taxis, mobile cranes and homes. CVST staff carries out vehicle inspections focusing on seasonal risks, make sure that drivers meet health and safety requirements, check if loads are set correctly, assist with dangerous goods transportation.

– **Highway Patrol** on state highways provides a highly visible police presence. As well as building public confidence that Police are taking an active interest in road safety, higher visibility on the roads also acts as a deterrent to those who wish to flout road laws.

– **Police Infringement Bureau** processes notices of violations, such as speeding, not wearing a seat belt or using a mobile phone while driving.

Researches demonstrate that preventing of traffic offending reduces the number of fatal and serious injury crashes.

New Zealand police also work with other road safety organizations to implement the Government's Safer Journeys Strategy, which considers road